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[Despatch Abstract.]

Storage - Central Govt. Godowns at Avadi, Vizagapatam and Coimbatore - Taking over by the Govt. of India - Papers recorded.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF FOOD

TELEGRAM: RECOM, TELEPHONE: 84058. Office of the Regional Food Commissioner, Southern Region, 48, Harrington Road, Chetput, Madras.

From
The Regional Food Commissioner,
Southern Region, Madras.

To
The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Food Department, Madras.

Letter No.6752/48/E1 dated 8th November 1948.

Sir,

Storage - Central Storage Sheds - Management.
My letter No.4556/48/B5, dt. 22-5-48

The Government of India have decided that the management of the Central Government foodgrains depots at Avadi, Coimbatore and Vizagapatam should be taken over by the Regional Food Commissioner, Southern Region by 1-1-49. For this purpose the requisite staff is being recruited and will be posted to different depots by 1-12-1948. I request that necessary instructions may please be issued to the officers in charge of the Central Depots in the matter. The formal taking over work will be completed by 1-1-49.

In order to preserve continuity, the Government of India have also decided to take over some of the existing staff. A list of such persons will be furnished to you as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,
Sd. x x x
for Regional Food Commissioner.

Copy to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Madras in continuation of this office letter No.6752/48E1 dt. 29-10-48.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE (CIVIL SUPPLIES) CHEPAUK, MADRAS.
V.S.Hejmadi, Esq., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

Board's Ref.No.D.63215/48 (CS), dt. 13-11-1948.

Sub: Storage - Central Storage Sheds - Vizagapatam, Coimbatore and Avadi - Management - handing over to the Government of India.

READ: Regional Food Commissioner's letter No.6752/48.E.1 dt. 8-11-1948 addressed to the Government(Food), Madras.

A copy of the letter cited is communicated to the Collector of Vizagapatam, Coimbatore, and the Special Deputy Collector, Avadi Storage, Madras for information. Since the Government of India have decided to take over the management of the Central Storage godowns by 1-1-49 from the Madras Government, the Collectors and the Special Deputy Collector, Avadi Storage are requested to take necessary steps to bring the accounts etc, uptodate and to expedite reports pending with them to as to facilitate handing over charges of the godowns in time. They should also ensure that all recoveries due from the Government of India are effected urgently.

T.R.L.Narasimhan, Asst.Secretary.

To the Collectors of Vizagapatam and Coimbatore (with enclosure)
The Special Deputy Collector, Avadi Storage, Chepauk, Madras."
Copy to the Chief Engineer, P.W.D(General) do. "
for information. He is also requested to issue necessary instructions to the Executive Engineers, Vizagapatam and Coimbatore to take necessary steps to finalise the accounts and to expedite handing over charge of the maintenance of the Central godowns to the Central P.W.D.
Copy submitted to the Secretary to the Government, Food Dept. Madras.
Copy to the Asst.Entomologist, Madras, Coimbatore and Bezwada with encls.
" " the Regional Food Commissioner, Madras.
" " Accounts(with enclosure).

forwarded/by order Sd. x x /Superintendent.

EXPRESS. GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,MINISTRY OF FOOD.
TELEGRAM: RECOM · Office of the Regional Food Commissioner,·
TELEPHONE:84058 · 41, Whites Road, Madras.14.

Memo.No.6782/48-E.1,dt.26-2-49.

Sub: Storage - Central Storage, Avadi-management taking over of-

The management of the Central Reserves at Avadi is to be taken over by the Regional Food Commissioner with effect from 1-3-49. The Technical Assistant attached to this office will, on behalf of the Regional Food Commissioner,Madras take over charge of all the articles and other properties belonging to the Government of India at the Depot and the stocks of Central Reserves of foodgrains and report the fact to this office together with a note on the condition of the stocks of foodgrains and the other articles. Files and arrears of correspondence relating to or arising from transactions during the period the management of the storage was with the Provincial Government will be attended to by the Government of Madras. These should not therefore be taken by over by the Technical Assistant.

Sd. x x
for Regional Food Commissioner.

To
The Technical Assistant.
Copy to
the Special Tahsildar, Central Reserves,R.B.S.D.Avadi,
" " Deputy Collector(Storage) do.
" Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Madras.
" " " " Government of Madras,Food Department, Madras.

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Please see the copies of the references from the R.F.C. at p.1-3 above. Copies of these correspondence have gone to the Bd. of Rev.(CS) also. No action is called for in this dept. May be lodged and added to the previous papers, at (D).

Sd. x x
1-3-49. Secy. Sd. x x/3-3-49.(for perusal).

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CIRCULATION NOTES.

The case deals with the request made by the R.F.C.,Madras Region, to the Madras Govt. to accept the agency work on behalf of the Central Govt., in clearing, forwarding and storing the Central Govt. stocks of foodgrains in the storage sheds at Avadi. The R.F.C. expects that about 50,000 tons of rice may have to be stored in the Southern Regionxx during the month of April as Central Reserve.

It may be mentioned that since 1945,the Madras Govt.have been doing the agency work for clearance, transport and storage of the Govt. of India stocks in the Central godowns at Coimbatore and Vizagapatam on behalf of the Govt. of India. The main terms are the Madras Govt. will provide adequate transport and undertake to receive foodgrains from the clearing agents appointed by the Govt.of India at Cochin and Vizagaptam promptly on all occasions and they will be responsible for any loss or demurrage occuring as a result of delay on their part to take immediate delivery or by detention of Railway wagons.The actual cost of staff employed at the Godowns and the direct expenditure on labour, transport and all other incidental expenditure will be borne by the Govt. of India ultimately. For the services rendered, the Madras Govt. will be paid a commission of 1 anna per bag of 2 maunds 20 seers nett. received and issued in respect of wheat and of 1 anna per bag of 2 maunds nett. received and issued in the case of rice. On the same terms, it is proposed to take over the agency work at Madras also. As it is expected that the Madras Govt. will also hold large stocks of foodgrains on their account in the same area (Avadi) no difficulty is anticipated in accepting the agency work at Madras also. The draft letter below to the R.F.C. informing him accordingly may perhaps be circulated to H.M.(Food) for approval.

May be accepted.Sd. xx 16-3-48
C.No.10415 K/48)

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Secy. H.M.(Food)

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/From the R.F.C.,Madras, letter No.8661/48 D.2.3 dt.8-5-48.
do. " No.4556/48-B-5 dt. 22-5-48.

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TO A.S.

Please see pages 9-11 c.f. At present the Madras Govt. are managing the Central godowns at Coimbatore and Vizagaptam. On an enquiry from India, this Govt. agreed to manage the godowns at Avadi also on certain conditions. But the R.F.C. now reports that Govt.of India have decided to take over the management of the Central Godowns shortly. The orders proposed to be issued by the Govt.of India in the matter may be awaited till 10-6-48.

Sd x x /27-1-48.

/From the R.F.C.,Madras, Ref.No.Letter No.6752/48-E1,dt.8-11-48/
TO A.S.

The R.F.C.,Madras, asked this Govt. whether inview, of the fact that this Govt. act as the agent of the Govt.of India, Ministry of Food, with regard to the storages at Coimbatore and Vizagaptam, this Govt. would aggept the agency work in clearing, forwarding and storing in the storage sheds to be acquired at Avadi. The R.F.C. was informed by this dept. that this Govt. have no objection to take over the agency work in clearing, forwarding, and shoring in the storage sheds to be acquired at Avadi subject to certain conditions. The Govt. of India's decision was awaited in the matter. Incidentally the R.F.C. informed that the Govt.of India have decided to take over the management of the Central godowns. The R.F.C. has now accepted that the Govt. of India hve decided that the management of the Central Govt. foodgrains depots at Avadi, Coimbatore and Vizagapatam should be taken over xhm by the R.F.C., Southern Region, Madras by 1-1-1949. The R.F.C. ~~has~~

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has also sent a copy to the Bd. of Rev.(CS). In the circumstances it appears that there is no need to await the reply to the letter at pp.7-8 c.f.

As the R.F.C. has requested that necessary instructions may be issued to the officers in charge of the Central Depots in the matter, the Bd. may perhaps be asked to hand over the Central Govt. godowns at Vizag, Coimbatore and Avadi to the staff authorised by the R.F.C. Subject to orders a draft o.m. to the Bd. is put up below for approval.

Regarding the staff question, a copy of the letter from the R.F.C. may be given to 'E' section for further action. Yes.

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Secy.

/Issued as Memo.NO.10415 HW48-11,dt.12-11-48.
From the Bd. of Rev.(CS).Ref.No.D.63215/48.(CS),dt.13-11-48.
TO A.S.

Please see the Bd's Reference at p.17 c.f. No further action appears called for in this file. For orders whether these papers may be recorded in M.S. Series.

Sd. x x/15-11-48.

Recorded as G.O.Ms.No.1043,dt.18-11-48.

G.O.Ms.No.1043, dated 18-11-48.

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/True copy/ A. Thirugnanam 18-12

Office Assistant,
Madras Record Office.

PSR. 9-12-53.

Bvdp. 11-12. Jem 11.12